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For: PERCUTANEOUS HEART VALVE

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- ☒ Application No. **10/565,142**, filed on _____, as amended on _____ (if applicable);
- ☒ was described and claimed in PCT International Application Number **PCT/US2004/023211**, filed on **July 21, 2003** and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____ and/or PCT Article 34 on _____.

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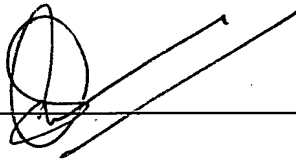
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